

REMARKS

Claims 1-30 are currently pending in the present application. In the Office Action, the Examiner has rejected Claims 1-23, 25, 27, 28, and 30 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by *Jung et al.* (U.S. 2005/0198779 A1). Additionally, it is gratefully acknowledged that the Examiner still finds allowable subject matter in Claims 24, 26, and 29.

Regarding the rejections of independent Claims 1, 15, and 21 as being anticipated by *Jung*, it is respectfully submitted that *Jung* has an effective U.S. filing date of March 3, 2003. The present application claims priority to Korean Patent Application (KPA) No. 2003-22098, filed on April 8, 2003. An affidavit pursuant to 37 CFR 1.131 of prior invention is submitted herewith to antedate the *Jung* reference. Also included herewith are the invention disclosure, an English language translation of the invention disclosure, and an English language translation of KPA 2003-22098. Based on at least the foregoing, withdrawal of the rejections of independent Claims 1, 15, and 21 is respectfully requested.

In addition Claims 1 and 15 can also be distinguished from *Jung*. The Examiner asserts that Embodiment 7, i.e., FIG. 40, of *Jung*, anticipates these claims. However, independent Claims 1 and 15 each recite a first hinge housing formed with a fixing portion at its inner peripheral surface, and an opening adapted to expose the fixing portion in a direction of the second rotation axis. *Jung* does not disclose these elements.

Further Claim 21 can also be distinguished from *Jung*, the Examiner asserts that Embodiment 6, i.e., FIGs. 36-39, of *Jung*, anticipates this claim. However, independent Claims 21 recites a first hinge housing formed with a fixing groove surrounded by ribs extended to a certain height at its inner peripheral surface. The Examiner cites sixth fixing groove 6111 and the inner side walls thereof as being an equivalent of the fixing groove and ribs, respectively. In FIG. 37 the side walls in the fixing groove 6111 are clearly shown as being smooth. *Jung* does not disclose the elements of Claim 21.

Independent Claims 1, 15 and 21 are believed to be in condition for allowance. Without conceding the patentability per se of dependent Claims 2-14, 16-20 and 22-30, these are likewise believed to be allowable by virtue of their dependence on their respective amended independent claims. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of dependent Claims 2-14, 16-20 and 22-30 is respectfully requested.

Accordingly, all of the claims pending in the Application, namely, Claims 1-30, are believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference or personal interview would facilitate resolution of any remaining matters, the Examiner may contact Applicant's attorney at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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